

# MYCTERIA AMERICANA.



## CHARACTER GENERICUS.

*Rostrum* subascendens, acutum, mandibula superiore triquetra.

*Frons* calva.

*Nares* lineares.

*Pedes* tetradactyli.

*Lath. ind. orn.* p. 670.

## CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MYCTERIA alba, remigibus rectricibusque nigro-purpurascens.

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*Lin. Syst. Nat.* p. 232.

*Ciconia brasiliensis.*

*Briss. av. 5.* p. 371.

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Mycteria Americana, quam unicam speciem continere genus non ita pridem opinati sunt physici, Americae australis loca incolit paludosa, et eodem fere vivendi modo utitur quo ardeae. Magnitudine ciconiam longe exuperat: immo reperta sunt specimina

mina parum ab ipso struthione distantia. Auctum  
nuperrime est genus novis duabus speciebus, quarum  
altera ex Australasia in Angliam, altera ex India  
illata est.





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*Pelecanus erythrorhynchos* Marsh. *Wilson's*

THE  
AMERICAN JABIRU.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

*Bill* subascendant, sharp, with the upper mandible triquetrous.

*Front* bare.

*Nostrils* linear.

*Feet* tetradactylous.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

White JABIRU with black wing-feathers and tail.

Great AMERICAN JABIRU.

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The American Jabiru, till lately the only species known, is a native of South America, frequenting marshy places, and feeding in the general manner of the Heron tribe. Its size considerably exceeds that of a Stork, and indeed in some specimens almost approaches to that of the Ostrich. This genus has been lately increased by a new species from Australasia, as well as by another from India.